

# The Church of God Evangel

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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## EVERYTHING MUST MOVE FORWARD WITH NO BACK DOWN

## PUT MORE LIFE AND VIM IN YOUR STEP AS YOU MARCH OUT ON GOD'S BATTLEFIELD

## THE LAST DAYS ARE UPON US

### Prepare For The End of The Age, For it is Near at Hand.

#### Christian Soldiers are Full of Fire.

There is no use to deny any longer that the last days are upon us. Some may be trying to console themselves with the thought that the end is a long time in the future, but it does not satisfy. It does not stop the gnawing at the heartstrings of almost all classes of people. There is a spirit of fear flying through the air. People are afraid to be alone and they are afraid to be among men. They do not know a sure place of safety. They try to find it, but as often fail.

I am sometimes afraid that many of our people have heard so much about the last days that some are becoming calloused—forgetful and easy about the subject. If there is any of this class I hope to get their nest stirred so they cannot be quite so restless. I want people to have the rest of salvation, but I do not want them to get careless and easy about the work God has given us to do. Jesus described this easy class when He said that people would begin to say in the last days that the Lord delayeth His coming, and they would engage in things that are unbecoming to Christians. And this has already been more or less demonstrated.

A good letter from Jamaica today told of how the Church of God was shining brighter and brighter and the saints were rejoicing, and finished up by telling some of the tales of woe that were coming on the members of the ordinary churches. They were dull looking and faded, and had no life, power, courage or zeal. This is a sad picture, but the picture of the saints is light and glistening. This one makes my heart rejoice. And of course it is predicted and expected that the Church of God will rise higher and shine brighter as we near the end of the age.

When Delilah had bound Samson with seven green withes she shouted, "The Philistines be upon thee, Samson," he broke the withes and stirred himself to action so the Philistines could not do anything with him. He was also bound with new ropes with the same results. The ropes were broken like thread. Then his hair was woven into the web of a loom, and he awoke out of sleep and ran off with the pin of the beam and the web. A little later the hair of his head was shaved off while he was asleep. When he awoke he went out and shook himself as at other times, but alas, his strength was gone. He could do nothing more, so his enemies took him and put out his eyes and otherwise afflicted him.

Samson played along and trifled with God until God left him, and he did not know it until he undertook to use his strength as usual and he awoke to the fact that his strength had departed. In a similar manner many good people will trifle their time away in the last days believing that they can do this and that when it is necessary and at the last moments, but, like Samson, they will find their strength is gone and they cannot do as they expected. It is a serious thing for men and women to trifle their souls away,

and when at last, they become sensible of their lost condition they are without any strength to make the necessary changes.

In telling of the last days and what might be expected Jesus said that the love of many would wax cold because iniquity shall abound, and surely iniquity is running rampant over the earth today. It is like a million wild and ferocious beasts let loose in a country where they are not expected. They kill and devour everywhere they go. The red hand of murder proves that people are blood-thirsty and ferocious like wild beasts. With many life is not regarded as of any value. It takes about one half of earth's inhabitants to make the other half behave themselves, and even then they are not able to hold down lawlessness and iniquity of all kinds. They all pose as human, but it almost seems that many have a strain of blood in them that is different from those who want peace and true civilization. Peter describes them "as creatures without reason, born mere animals to be taken and destroyed, railing in matters whereof they are ignorant, shall in their destroying surely be destroyed." (2 Peter 2:12 R. V.)

The divorce and remarriage evil is cursing the entire world. The trickery used in securing divorces is of Satanic origin. The laws governing the subject had almost as well be abolished, because those who want divorces will stoop to any kind of deception and falsehood to secure what they want. And by putting money behind it law is ignored. Women of wealth go into a lawyer's office arrayed in the finest of clothing and decorations and put in their plea for a divorce on the ground of non-support. The lawyer explains to them that they will have to change their dress before they go to court. So when the day comes to appear in court they are dressed in shabby clothes, get their divorce, go back to the lawyer's office, don their full bloom suit and marry before leaving the office.

I am forcibly reminded of Jesus' words to the disciples, "And as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all." (Luke 17:26, 27) Marriage is honorable and all right if the Bible laws are observed. But the time has come when both men and women do not know who they are marrying. Deception is on the boom. It is a common occurrence for two young people, and even middle aged, to meet and soon make up and marry, and after a few weeks or perhaps a year or two it develops that one or the other has another living companion and a house full of children in another state. You can't tell who is who in these days. Solemn warnings need to be given out against taking up with strangers, and these warnings should be heeded by all who love purity and salvation. But I notice that although advice and warnings are given some people they go right over it and put their neck in the halter and are led away captive. O truly, the last days are upon us when

people are without natural affection, false accusers, fierce, traitors and headstrong.

Seeing we are living in the last days it becomes an important matter for us to prepare for the end of the age for it is near at hand. There are going to be more abrupt changes than we have yet witnessed, although changes have been so sudden and followed each other so quickly that it has been almost enough to make one's head dizzy. Statesmen and diplomats are afraid of one another. Every nation in the world is more or less afraid of every other nation. There have been cries of peace and safety ever since the close of the world war, but the nations cannot agree as to how to bring about this peace and safety. They all seem to want it, but they fall out with one another while they discuss the situation and terms. Congressmen and legislators turn red in the face and it is said that sometimes they come to blows. This shows they can't have peace and safety even in the legislative halls, and how can it be expected to have it between nations?

I do not know when the outbreak is coming, but it is just as surely coming as the outflow of fire, ashes, smoke and lava from a pent up volcano when it bursts forth and often covers villages, towns and cities, and destroys thousands of inhabitants. I do not say that the Scriptural cry of peace and safety has been made, but there has been enough said about it to make it appear like it. But we do know that the Apostle Paul wrote, "For when they shall say, Peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them." (1 Thes. 5:3) And this is a last days prophecy. I am sure we are living in the last days, but I do not know just how near we are to the very last day—the very day that ends the age, but I am on solid footing when I declare that the end of the age is near at hand and I urge the people to prepare for it.

We surely must be living in the late afternoon, for the Christian soldiers are full of fire. It is as if the sun were nearing the western hilltops and a lot of work yet to do. How the men work sometimes to get the job finished up before the shades of night come upon them. The Lord's workers are deeply impressed that the time is short to finish up the work, therefore, they are kindling their enthusiasm into a fiery blaze. A few complain about hard times and think they don't get enough money for their service, but the old trained regulars who have fought the battles for years go right on money or no money and fire the woods the more.

I think we have some of the best workers I ever read of. A few fall out by the way and like it was said of Demus they love this present world and forsake us, but where one falls out in this way two or more come in to fill up the ranks, and besides this it seems that such falling away fires up the old veterans with more holy zeal than ever. They are determined to win in the battle regardless of the cost and sacrifice. They will preach and teach the old sin killing sanctification even if doing so does make them unpopular with the world. They will not leap over this grand old doctrine and try to get people filled with the Holy Ghost without the experience. They will cry out sanc-

tification everywhere they go. They will never compromise and leave it out. They will tell the people to go on outside the gate and get the experience no matter if it does mean the bearing of some reproach. (Heb. 13:12, 13.) They will say Holiness becometh the house of the Lord, and without it people will not get to see God. (Psalm 93:5; Heb. 12:14)

More workers are needed, but only those who will stand pat on the Word of God and be true and loyal to His Church. We do not need any more of that class who were apparently so zealous for the Church until it was about to come out on them that they were guilty of some crime or disloyalty and then they fell out with some points of the system and fell into what they call the— I do not care to mar these sacred pages by using some of their names and terms. But God is raising up a host of the finest men and women of the age and putting His Spirit upon them to work for His Church. Men and women who cannot be deceived nor pulled about by every wind of doctrine. But they are good, up-to-date, substantial men and women whose influence goes a long ways besides their four-square Bible teaching.

When a general goes into a battle he wants men he can trust—men who will obey orders when they are given. He will not keep one that will undertake to ride in his saddle. He wants every man to know his place and stay in it. And men who will not obey orders will soon be located and sent to the guard house or dispatched without waiting. The general well knows that one act of disobedience might cause the destruction of the whole army. A disobedient soldier is a dangerous soldier. The army is better off without him. Gideon would rather have his little group of three hundred men whom he knew would obey than thirty-two thousand many of which he was doubtful. "Go," said a great general to one of his trusted captains "and take that strong hold of the enemy and plant our flag upon it." "I'll go, sir, if you will give me one shake of your strong hand." Immediately he was off, and while the general was busying himself about other parts of the battlefield, he knew he could trust that captain with that particular point—and well he might because he had proven his bravery and loyalty in many previous battles. The struggle was hard and long, but it was successful. The captain was always obedient and knew no defeat.

We are not in those kind of battles, but we must have men as brave and loyal—those who will go at the call of God and "those in authority and turn the world upside down when they get there. It is as bad for a man to sit down and not do anything after he gets to a place as it is not to go in the first place. But glad to say our people are on fire and they can hardly hold themselves. They are determined to plant the doctrine of the Church of God on every hilltop and defeat the enemy in every valley and on every plain. The fire of "Go ye" seems to be burning them up. They sometimes try to stop, but in a day or two the fire gets so hot they kiss their wife and babies good by and off they go again for another thirty days or three months campaign.

The Psalmist speaks: "I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, even from good; and my sorrow was stirred. My heart was hot within me; while I was musing the fire burned: then spake I with my tongue." Some-

## PREPARE FOR THE GREAT DAY

### The Seventh of May Set by the Publishing Committee to Make the Final Drive.

#### EVERY CHURCH SHOULD BE WELL ORGANIZED SO NO MEMBER WILL BE MISSED.

We have sent all the churches the printed matter to use in preparing for the great day—the First Sunday in May. If any have failed to receive their supply please notify us so we can send it again. These supplies were sent to the treasurers, but the pastors are expected to take charge of the business and the deacons should gladly lend their assistance and all are to be fellow helpers in this great effort. It will take special organized effort to get a little envelope into the hands of every member so that none will be missed.

The appeal by the committee is made very strong and full and they hope and expect to have the co-operation of all the overseers, pastors, deacons and all the churches. They do not want to leave anything undone that can be done to put this drive over the top. They are sure the entire debt of \$24,241.10 can be lifted in this drive and not work any hardship on any one if all will happily join in and help, and this they expect all to do. The fifty cents from each member is expected to bring in about ten thousand, and all of the other collections are expected to make up the balance. It will probably be some encouragement to our people to know that we have reduced the debt since the Assembly to the amount of \$2,939.47. I am sure this will make our people feel that we are doing our best.

Please remember that the Church has a plant here well worth forty thousand dollars. And with only \$24,241.10 against it is not so bad after all when we call to mind that the business was started without a penny, and all of our equipment has had to be purchased on time payments. Our people have stood by us nobly while we have been building up the business, and the paper and literature have already been a blessing to tens of thousands of people. No body would want the plant sold out and closed down when it is looked upon by many to be the life of the Church. It is something to be proud of and I believe it is to the interest of all to help pay

times we hold up a little, but the fire gets hotter and hotter until we have to begin to tell it again. It seems that many of us would literally burn up if we should refuse to tell the gospel message to the world. But we do not expect to stop. If we cannot do it one way we will do it another. It has to be told and we feel that we must tell it. "Woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel," said the great apostle Paul. And this is like many today. The fire is hot and it will burn them up if they do not go forth and tell it. This is the experience of many, and this class are going whether they have a car or have to walk. I know what it is to walk. I used to take six, ten, twenty, twenty-five mile trips every week. I was full of fire and grit and I must go. Distance never backed me down. Rain never stopped me when it was time to go. I have been along the road. I know what it is to have the fire burning within till I could not rest without going. And I went. Thank God, I went, day or night, on foot, horseback, ox cart, on the trains and any way, but I had to go. Do you?

for it. Surely no investment could be more profitable for the spread of the gospel and the establishment of the Church of God in every nation. We are already printing in two languages and hope to spread out into other languages as soon as possible.

The outlook is good, but the time has come that we are to be forced to pay these bills. We have carried them over by twisting and turning and maneuvering as long as we can, and this is the reason the Publishing Committee has taken the matter in hand and given orders and arranged for this one last great drive to pay the publishing house out of debt.

It seems to be necessary to call attention occasionally to the Assembly teaching about tobacco. It is regarded as a sin for people to use it in any way. Our people are not supposed to smoke, chew, dip snuff, sell it in stores or grow the filthy stuff. I have heard of a few who got caught up with a crop this year before they had been told it was wrong, but they have promised to let it alone in the future. I certainly hope they will get enough of it this year.

I have been much grieved quite recently to learn that two or three of our Evangelists have leaped the bounds and officiated in marriages. I can't understand why these ministers are not able to say no when asked to perform these ceremonies. It was almost decided once that this offence was grave enough to cause their ministry to be revoked, and I suppose if it cannot be stopped otherwise that this will be the result. I want all evangelists everywhere to take this warning and know that they must not perform marriage ceremonies.

Somebody wants to know whether it is right for Christian young people to become intimate with sinners or not. Surely it is not a good thing. A young man who is filled with the Holy Ghost wished to know if it would do for him to marry a young woman who was not a Christian. I answered that it was not a good thing to do. I told him that if he could not get her saved before marriage that I would be afraid he could not get her saved afterward. I said, "You had better delay the marriage until you know she is saved." Marriage is a sacred ordinance and should not be trifled with. People should be fully aware of the fact that it is a tie up for life, and if they are unequally yoked together—one a sinner and the other a Christian it will result in an unhappy and disagreeable life.

Quite recently I learned of a Sunday school that leaped up from twenty-five to eighty in two months by adopting the new methods. You can't do much good in Sunday school work staying in the old rut. You have to get life into it and show the people that there is something doing. I have been asked to give some special instructions on new methods Sunday school work through the Evangel. This I hope to do soon by the help of the Lord.



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giving description, price, terms etc.  
E. L. Moore,  
Bushnell, Fla.

The Church of God at Biltmore, N.  
C., would like to know the whereabouts  
of Mr. L. F. McCarron.  
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Asheville, N. C.

If any one knows the address of  
Mary T. Sullivan please let me hear  
from you at once.  
Your humble sister,  
Eva Grooms,  
Ravensford, N. C.

I have a good house tent which  
some one might like to purchase. For  
particulars write  
A. A. Carpenter,  
2524 Gaut St.,  
Cleveland, Tenn.

Meeting will begin at Stonefield  
April 26th, Brother M. S. Haynes and  
band in charge. Everybody come  
praying and expecting a good time in  
the Lord.

W. B. Simpson, clerk,  
R. L. Holcomb, Miss.  
I would like for some one who can  
lead in singing and one who can play  
the violin to travel with me. I need  
you. Come or write me.  
S. S. Monroe,  
Lexa, Ark.

H. A. Pressgrove and wife will be-  
gin a ten days meeting at Gatewood  
tabernacle on May 12, 1922. We ask  
that everybody pray for a great reviv-  
al. We would be glad that other  
workers would come.

W. R. Walker,  
Coffeeville, Miss.  
I would like to know the where-  
abouts of Perry and Nancy Centers,  
about a year ago they were at Tamaro,  
Ill. Also, Letta Ozantiz. Any one  
knowing their whereabouts please  
write me.

Mrs. Ruby Scott, clerk,  
Box 356, Sesser, Ill.  
I would like to know the where-  
abouts and spiritual condition of the  
following:  
James H. Johnson, Kattie Jordan,  
Buna V. Carpenter.

Orie Dennis, clerk,  
1922 Battle Roe,  
Augusta, Ga.

The church at Shorts Creek, Va.,  
wants to know the whereabouts and  
spiritual condition of Maggie Bell and  
Lizzie Surratt (Austin).

Each member is supposed to report  
to the clerk or band leader.

Very truly yours,  
John Bays, clerk,  
Richardson, Va.

There is not any Church of God  
here but I am a member and would  
like for a band of saints to come to  
this part of the country to hold a meet-  
ing. If a band of workers will come  
soon I will try to get a place ready  
to hold the meeting. Please write me  
if you want to come.

Your unworthy brother,  
Thomas Cooper,  
R. 2, Box 41, Salado, Texas.

This is a new place and I believe  
many would believe if they could hear  
the true gospel. If God puts this  
work on some Church of God preach-  
er's heart please write me. We do  
not have a church but if you will  
come to hold a meeting a home will  
be prepared till we get a church start-  
ed.

If anyone wants to come write me  
and I will meet you at Valley Head,  
Ala.  
James Palmer,  
Kaolin, Ala.

Our district meeting will convene  
at Spring Hope church, N. C., May  
13-15, D. V. I want all the churches  
to be represented at this meeting, es-  
pecially by the clerks, treasurers, dea-  
cons, bishops and evangelists. We  
want all who can to come but especial-  
ly the official members.

The judges will be present and if  
you have anything that needs to be  
before them have it framed and ready  
for same.

Our district meeting for the Gastonia  
district will convene at Kannapolis,  
N. C., May 20-22. We want all the  
clerks, treasurers, evangelists, bishops  
and deacons and any who can come  
to be present at Kannapolis. If you  
have any business to put before the  
judges have it framed and ready.

Your unworthy servant,  
Geo. T. Brouayer, overseer.

To the Pastors and Deacons in the  
Corinth District—Greetings in the  
Name of our Blessed Lord:

As our state overseer is to be sup-  
ported by offerings I am making the  
second appeal to our churches to help  
him. Some have failed to heed the  
first appeal. Let us take Moses and  
the twelve spies for an example. When  
Moses commanded the twelve spies  
to go over and spy out the land we  
learn that only two obeyed the com-  
mand and they were the only two  
who went over and possessed the land.  
Read Num. 13:1-33. Beloved, Moses  
did not force these to go over but he  
just gave the command and they were  
willing to obey—obedience is better  
than sacrifice. Read 1 Sam. 15:22.

Brother Tomlinson has suggested  
that each church take an offering  
once a month for the state overseer  
and this is my second appeal to the  
churches in this district. Pastors, it  
is your duty to take this offering each  
month and if the pastors fail the dea-  
cons should please fall in line and do  
this.

Only one of the seven churches has  
already done as requested. Beloved,  
don't let us fall behind in this. Let  
us brace up and obey that we may be  
able to possess the land. Thank God,  
Isaiah said, "If ye be willing and obedi-  
ent, ye shall eat the good of the land;  
But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall  
be devoured with the sword: for the  
mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."  
Heb. 13:17 says, "Obey them that  
have the rule over you, and submit  
yourselves." Beloved, the above rul-  
ing has come from headquarters  
through Brother Tomlinson and I am  
only making this appeal. My dearly  
beloved, "I write not these things to  
shame you, but as my beloved sons I  
warn you." 1 Cor. 4:14.

Let us each one fall in line and not  
fall short in anything but be willing  
to suffer, if need be, to help our over-  
seer. We love the Church of God be-  
cause we are members one of another  
and when one member suffers all suffer  
with him. Gal. 6:2, "Bear ye one  
another's burdens and so fulfill the  
law of Christ." It is a heavy burden  
on our overseer when he is wanted in  
different parts of his state and has no  
money to travel on and no groceries  
at home for his family. "My little  
children, let us not love in word, nei-  
ther in tongue; but in deed and in  
truth." 1 John 3:18. "But whose hath  
this world's good, and seeth his  
brother in need, and shutteth up his  
bowels of compassion from him, how  
dwelleth the love of God in him?" 1  
John 3:17.

Now this second appeal goes out  
with a heart full of love for every one.  
Humbly, your servant,  
J. C. Coats, dist. overseer,  
Red Bay, Ala.

**Alabama State As-  
sembly to be held in  
Alabama City, Ala.,  
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time expected. Good  
program prepared.  
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the people.**

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Any minister, clerk or member  
wishing a notice, request, report or  
any writing to be printed in the Evan-  
gel of a certain date should send  
writing to the Evangel office at least  
two weeks before that date, to  
assure getting it in the paper on  
the date desired. This applies more  
especially to notices of meetings  
and requests for the sick.

## Letter of Thanks

To the Committees at Gunton Park and  
Parrott, Va.—Greetings to All in  
Jesus' Precious Name:

We are in receipt of the nice box  
of groceries from Gunton Park, Va.,  
March 18th, 6 bars of soap, 7 pounds  
sugar, 14 quarts canned goods, 2 glass-  
es jelly, roll of quilt pieces, 3 chickens  
and 2 ducks; from Parrott, Va., 6  
chickens. Many thanks indeed for all.  
We believe you have sent some of your  
very best and we are reminded of the  
offerings the people of old brought to  
the Lord. The chickens are so fat  
and fine, certainly are enjoyed by all  
in the home. And the fruit is such a  
great blessing also. It is something  
all the children like and is so good  
for them. We try to feed the chil-  
dren good wholesome food, have been  
able to purchase good butter and milk  
for them all along.

We certainly do praise the Lord for  
all these good things we are receiving  
and enjoying. May God add His  
blessings to each one who has given,  
and we know He will, for the Bible  
says, "It is more blessed to give than  
to receive."

Will you please send name of chair-  
man of each committee with reports,  
also valuation of each donation when  
sent?

With prayers and love to all.  
Your sister for Jesus,  
Mrs. Lillian Kinsey, Orphanage Ma-  
tron.

## NOTICE

Just a word to our agents. In send-  
ing your orders for Bible cases, please  
specify the size in figures so we will  
know what to send you that no mis-  
take may occur. So many say to send  
a large size or a small size, which  
leaves our sales lady at a loss to know  
what to do.

## IN MEMORY OF

### CORNER

Mrs. Gracie Corner of Daisy, Tenn.,  
departed this life March 29, 1922.

Sister Gracie was saved, sanctified  
and filled with the Holy Ghost and a  
faithful member in the Church of God.  
She has been a member for ten years  
and died in full triumph of a living  
faith. She was among the first to  
bring the gospel to Dividing Ridge.

She leaves to mourn here below, a  
husband, two children, one brother and  
one sister, and a host of friends.

### DUTRUCH

On Feb. 18, 1922, Sister Bevie Du-  
truch, age 16 years, 1 month and 15  
days, and her little twin babes, de-  
parted this life to be with Jesus.

She was saved, sanctified and bap-  
tized with the Holy Ghost and a loyal  
member of the Church of God, and  
was faithful to the Lord till her death.  
All was done for her that loving hands  
could do but God always knows best.  
She seemed to know a good while be-  
fore her death that her time was  
short here. Her presence at meeting  
and her bright testimonies are missed  
by all.

She leaves to mourn, her husband,  
her father and mother, some brothers  
and sisters and a host of other rela-  
tives and friends.

The funeral service was conducted  
by the writer and her body was laid  
to rest till "the Lord himself shall  
descend from heaven with a shout,  
with the voice of the archangel, and  
with the trumpet of God: and the dead  
in Christ shall rise first."

'Twas the divine providence of God,  
Tho' we see, of course 'twas hard,  
But we know that God knows best,  
Therefore He took Sister Bevie to rest.  
In our tears with broken heart,  
God stooped down and we had to part;  
Good bye, Sister Bevie, to Jesus you've  
been true,  
And while you are resting there, we  
are waiting to come too.

Her pastor,  
Bartley L. Hicks,  
Covington, La.

### TURNER

The death of Sister Harriett Turner  
of Whitwell, Tenn., was a shock to  
her relatives and many friends at Day-  
ton and elsewhere.

She was taken sick while in meet-  
ing at Whitwell on Friday night,  
March 17th, and lived until Monday  
following. Her suffering was very  
great but she bore it patiently. She  
left a good testimony stating that  
she had a good home in heaven and  
she was going there to be with Jesus.

She was the wife of Brother L. L.  
Turner who is now overseer of Se-  
quatchee district. She was a mem-  
ber of the great Church of God at  
Dayton, also an evangelist. The church  
will miss her good songs, prayers and  
testimonies, but Brother Turner will  
miss her most of all for she would  
take his place in the pulpit and preach  
with undaunted courage and then pray  
and work in the altar as long as seek-  
ers would stay.

I was personally acquainted with her  
ten years and I never saw her dis-  
courage or give up. She was con-  
verted about twenty-seven years ago in  
a Baptist meeting and lived in the  
Baptist church until about eleven  
years ago when she received the Holy  
Ghost. She was among the first to  
come into the Church of God and  
has ever since been a loyal member.

She leaves behind, many relatives  
and friends, her husband, one son and  
one daughter.

The body was sent to Dayton and  
the funeral conducted at the church  
by Brother F. J. Lee. The text was,  
"She hath done what she could."

Mark 14:8. Her body was laid to rest  
at the Mount Vernon cemetery near  
Graysville, Tenn., to await the resur-  
rection.

In heaven there will be no parting, no  
pain to bear,  
No careworn brow, no sigh, no silvery  
hair,  
No death to snatch our loved ones  
from our side,  
No angry waves, no sea, no treach-  
erous tide.

In heaven there'll be no thirst, no cry  
for bread,  
No soul that knows not where to lay  
his head,  
No one to feel the winter's chilling  
blast,  
For there the piercing storms will all  
be past.

In heaven there'll be no toil without  
repay,  
No building for a brief ephemeral day.  
For all the joys that prophets old  
have told,  
'Twill take the endless ages to unfold.

In heaven there'll be no weary pil-  
grim band,  
No seekers for a better fairer land,  
For all who reach that blissful happy  
shore,  
Will never cry nor sigh nor wish for  
more.

T. J. Byerly.

## BATTLEFIELDS

In a meeting held at Logan, Ill.,  
there were six saved, a few reclaimed,  
three sanctified, two filled with the  
Holy Ghost and five were added to the  
church. Brother Gillaspie and others  
were there for a few days at different  
intervals, reports John O. Yates.

We have just closed a revival at  
East Chattanooga, Tenn., the Lord has  
done many wonderful things. Many  
souls were saved, some sanctified and  
some filled with the Holy Ghost. We  
are praising our Lord for our good  
pastor. Surely the Lord sent him here  
for he is doing a wonderful work, re-  
ports Alberta Millard.

In a twenty-three days tent meeting  
held at Okeechobee, Fla., there were  
some saved and sanctified, three filled  
with the Holy Ghost, five baptized in  
water and three came into the dear  
old Church of God. We praise Him  
for the favor He gave us many hun-  
gry hearts that we hope will soon be sat-  
isfied with the full blessing of God.  
Brother J. F. Mann was in charge, as-  
sisted by J. W. Phillip and R. L.  
Mixon, pastor. Sent in by Mrs. R. L.  
Mixon, clerk.

## 1922 CALENDARS.

We have in stock the 1922 edition  
of the Christian Life Calendar. Every  
month shows a beautiful Bible  
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ture verse for every day. They are  
much nicer to have hanging on the  
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inappropriate for a Christian home.  
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## Angels Rejoiced Over Sinners Repenting

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greetings in  
Jesus' Dear Name:

I just closed a four weeks meeting  
at Besoco in W. Va., in Raleigh Co.,  
in which God gave us the victory.  
There were ten or more saved, twelve  
sanctified, thirteen baptized in water  
and on Mar. 25th, the church was set  
in order with thirteen members with  
J. I. Vaught, clerk and treasurer, and  
on Mar. 26th two more were added,  
making fifteen in all. I feel sure that  
more will follow soon. It was wonder-  
ful to see young men flocking to the  
altar, throwing away their tobacco  
and cigarettes. Surely the Lord was  
well pleased and the angels rejoiced  
over so many sinners repenting for  
we read in Luke 15:7, "I say unto you,  
that likewise joy shall be in heaven  
over one sinner that repenteth, more  
than over ninety and nine just per-  
sons, which need no repentance." Praise  
our God!

One young man has taken the Bible  
Training Course by Correspondence.  
I am looking forward to the time when  
the Lord will raise up some preach-  
ers from that meeting for the harvest  
area is great and the laborers are  
few. We asked the dear Lord to send  
some one to help gather the ripened  
grain as it is falling to the ground.  
The gray haired parents, young men  
and women just in the prime of life  
are dying in sin and going down to  
hell which have never heard the true  
gospel or the great Church of God.  
Oh, how my heart hungers to make  
them hear of this wonderful salvation.  
It is true the devil hates this holy  
way.

The devil tried to keep me from  
getting a place to preach but Brother  
J. I. Vaught moved everything out of  
one room and filled it with seats, then  
Satan tried to make me sick and stop  
the meeting that way but, praise God,  
when it was all I could do to stand I  
held up the flag of salvation in Jesus'  
name and proclaimed peace through  
Jesus Christ, the King of peace, and  
God truly gave us the victory. Saints,  
pray for the new church just set in  
order at Besoco, W. Va., and the en-  
tire Leckie district.

Your brother in the great battle,  
Laud L. Vaught, dist. overseer,  
Box 81, Oakvale, W. Va.

## NEW SONG

Mrs. S. J. Heath's new song, There  
is a Rainbow, and, Shine O Let it  
Shine, combined, is now ready on sale  
at the Evangel office. Price 10 cents.  
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## REQUESTS

W. A. Griffin, Lavonia, Ga., desires  
prayer to be healed.

Evelyn Mills, Red Bay, Ala., asks  
prayer for her father to be healed  
of stomach trouble.

Bell Money, East Laport, N. C., de-  
sires prayer for her sister who has  
not heard the full gospel.

Jim Austin Gore, Eupora, Miss., has  
grown cold in his experience and re-  
quests prayer.

Lattie McLean, Dunn, N. C., asks  
prayer for his two brothers and sis-  
ters-in-law to be saved.

Maud Layne, Whitwell, Tenn., asks  
the saints to fast and pray for the  
healing of her mother.

James W. Phillips, Killen, Ala., asks  
prayer that he will be sanctified  
and filled with the Holy Ghost.

Mrs. Bama White, Rienzi, Miss.,  
wishes prayer for her loved ones to  
receive the Holy Ghost.

Walker Willis, Covington, La., asks  
prayer for his loved ones. Also  
pray that he will receive the Holy  
Ghost.

Mrs. Gillie Millwood, Kennesaw, Ga.,  
asks prayer for her unsaved hus-  
band and son to come into the fold.

Henry McLain, Scottsboro, Ala., asks  
all the saints to pray for his two  
brothers who are in sin.

Robert F. West, Columbia, S. C., wants  
you to please pray that he will be  
completely healed and for his wife  
to be saved.

Mrs. I. B. Crisp, Bald Knob, Ark., wants  
you to please pray for her to be  
healed and for her children to live  
godly lives.

H. F. Harris, O'Brien, Fla., asks pray-  
er for means to be supplied to build  
a new church at that place. The  
old one was burned.

Alice Westerfield, Reynolds, Ky., asks  
the saints everywhere to pray for  
her healing, also that her children  
will be saved and come into the  
Church of God.

Bessie Berry, Roosevelt, Ark., requests  
the saints everywhere to earnestly  
pray for her sister to be healed and  
for her to see the light on the  
Church of God.

Laura Williams, Dowling Park, Fla.,  
requests the saints to pray that she  
will receive the Holy Ghost and  
that she will be healed of kidney  
trouble.

Mrs. Alvira Adderly, Ragged Island,  
Bah., asks the saints to pray for her  
baby's head to be healed. It is grow-  
ing too fast, some say water is col-  
lecting on his brain.

Dora Funderburk, Red Bay, Ala.,  
wants all who read this to pray for  
her children to get back close to the  
Lord and for her husband to come  
into the Church of God.

Mrs. Lizzie Dixon, Jacksonville, Fla.,  
requests prayer for her husband to  
be saved, sanctified and filled with  
the Holy Ghost. Also pray for her  
father and two brothers.

Celia E. Pippin, Lawton, Okla., wishes  
the saints to pray for her husband  
to receive the Holy Ghost and for  
the needs to be supplied to finish  
paying for their new church.

Bye Pritchett, Swifton, Ark., asks the  
saints everywhere to pray for her  
husband to be saved. Also  
pray for her sons, one is seeking  
the Holy Ghost, the other to be  
saved.

Pollie Judkins, Meridian, Okla., asks  
the saints to pray for her husband  
to be saved, sanctified and filled with  
the Holy Ghost. Also pray for her  
father, he is seventy-seven years of  
age and unsaved.

Mrs. Alpha Maness, Thomaston, Ala.,  
requests prayer of all the saints for  
the healing of her body. She has  
lost the use of her left arm and  
hand, caused by a stroke of paral-  
ysis. Also pray for her niece to be  
healed of leakage of the heart.

## The Comforter Still Abides

Dear Evangel Readers:  
I am praising God for the sweet  
peace I have in my soul. Praise God!  
I can never thank Him enough for the  
way He has blessed me. He lifted me  
out of the miry clay of sin and placed  
my feet on the solid rock. One day  
the Lord wonderfully saved and sanc-  
tified me and filled me with the Holy  
Ghost and the Comforter still  
abides this evening. I am glad I be-  
long to the great Church of God, the  
one Jesus said He would build and  
the gates of hell should not prevail  
against. Matt. 16:18.

I beg those who are not ready to  
meet Jesus to get ready for we know  
neither the day nor the hour when  
the son of man cometh.

Saints, pray for me that I may ever  
have oil in my vessel. Also pray for  
my brothers and sisters that they may  
soon see the light.

Your unworthy sister,  
Lula Parker,  
Vardaman, Miss.

## SANCTIFICATION — WILL OF GOD

D. R. Holcomb

"For this is the will of God, even  
your sanctification." 1 Thes. 4:3.  
"Sanctify yourselves therefore, and  
be ye holy: for I am the Lord your  
God." Lev. 20:7.

It is God's express command and  
every true child of God will ask, How  
can I obtain it? God called John  
Wesley and anointed him to bring  
forth this Bible doctrine and truth of  
holiness, the second work of grace.  
The common church members dislike  
the word holiness, not because they  
are acquainted with it but because  
they have seen so many who profess  
to have this experience and fail to  
live it and they have a perfect right  
to demand that people live it, but this  
does not excuse any one.

Holiness is the standard of the  
Word of God and without holiness  
no man shall see the Lord. Heb.  
12:14. Unless you have holiness en-  
graved on your heart you will never  
meet Jesus in the clouds of heaven.  
This wonderful experience of sanc-  
tification, its acceptance or rejection,  
hinges our destiny. It is the very  
preparation that is the white linen  
of the bride of Christ that will pre-  
pare us for the marriage supper of  
the Lamb and the first resurrection.  
There is ample provision in the Word  
of God to prepare every soul for His  
coming. It is through this experience  
of sanctification. This is the will of  
God even your sanctification. We  
know that Jesus suffered for us out-  
side the gate that He might sanctify  
the people with His own blood.  
Heb. 13:12.

There are two works of grace nec-  
essary. The new birth transforms  
the life, habits and appetites are re-  
moved, but there is still a remaining  
root down in the soul that cannot  
wholly and unreservedly yield to the  
will of God and it takes a complete  
death. "Knowing this, that our old  
man is crucified with him, that the  
body of sin might be destroyed."

Then the mind, soul and spirit and  
body are wholly in supplication to the  
will of God. Paul said, "The very  
God of peace sanctify you wholly. The  
child of God is not wholly purified  
when he is justified. Sin is overcome  
but the root is not destroyed, it is  
conquered. Every child of God has  
the victory over sin. Sin has no more  
dominion over them, but the inbred  
nature is not taken out. The expe-  
riences of thousands of people  
prove that the root of sin, the self  
will, the uprisings still remain in  
there. The time comes when it stirs  
in the child of God, the old depravity  
is felt. Then is the time to flee to  
God for the sanctification. The blood  
of Jesus will sanctify you wholly and  
destroy the old nature completely.

If there were no fallen nature in us,  
no disposition contrary to the will of  
God in the soul of the new born child  
of God there would have been no  
necessity for the work of cleansing  
blood, the second work of grace that  
sanctifies wholly. But Jesus prayed  
for His disciples in John 17:17,  
"Sanctify them through thy truth:  
thy word is truth." He loved His  
church and gave Himself for it, "That  
he might sanctify and cleanse it with  
the washing of water by the word,  
That he might present it to himself  
a glorious church, not having spot, or  
wrinkle, or any such thing." Eph.  
5: 26, 27. It is absolutely necessary  
that you go on and meet God's con-  
ditions in His holy Word and receive  
the sanctifying power in the blood of  
Jesus.

The adamic sin, the inbred nature  
is not destroyed at justification. God  
sent His Son into the world not only  
that He might justify and forgive and  
save His people from their outward  
transgressions but that he might sanc-  
tify them wholly and take out the in-  
bred sin that we might be pure even  
as He is pure.

A soul is never saved and sanctified  
at the same time or at one act of  
God's grace. It is impossible because  
it is contrary to God's plan revealed  
in His Word. God never works con-  
trary to His Word. When the sinner  
comes to God he does not realize his  
need of sanctification, he cannot. The  
Spirit convicts a sinner of his lost  
condition. His sin against God causes  
him to repent and plead for pardon  
and he is forgiven. Then God reveals  
the need of sanctification, the cleans-  
ing from the adamic nature of sin  
that flows in the veins of every man  
and woman born into the world from  
the fall of Adam, thus sin was passed  
upon the whole world.

Many were made sinners. All are  
sinners by birth as well as sinners  
by choice and it takes sanctification,  
the second work of grace through the  
blood of Jesus Christ, to eradicate the  
inbred sin that was born in us from  
our forefathers through the fall of  
Adam.

If there are uprisings in your fret-  
fulness you are not sanctified; if you  
get offended under provocation, if you  
contend for your opinion, your own  
way, you are not sanctified. You  
know whether there are uprisings—  
any unholy nature in you and if there  
are you should seek at once for sanc-  
tification. Is your heart holy with-  
in? How does it work and feel and  
love under tests and trials? Examine  
the issues of your heart and you will  
know whether you are sanctified,  
whether you have the experience for  
there is no doubt about



# THE SUN AND MOON

(Apocalypse, chap. 12)

F. J. Lee

Ques. What do we have in the former writing as to the composition of the man-child (overcoming saints)?

Ans. We have that the man-child is composed of Jews and Gentiles (all kindsreds and tongues).

Ques. What Greek word is man-child in this instance taken from when in every other instance it is another word?

Ans. It is taken from arsen which means stronger, as for lifting, also carries the thought of neuter gender, applying to both sex in one, yet very strong and resolute.

Ques. Since the man-child has the nature of Jews and Gentiles filled with the Spirit who do we decide the woman is?

Ans. She too is of the same nature, therefore, does not apply to literal but to spiritual Israel.

Ques. Where does the woman come on the scene?

Ans. She comes on the scene with the decreasing of John the Baptist.

Ques. What part does John the Baptist play?

Ans. He was the climax of the old prophets and the old prophetic age. He was the last of the old Testament prophets.

Ques. After John's decrease what do we have?

Ans. The increase of Jesus. John 3:30; Isa. 9:7.

Ques. What of the thousands of the saved since John?

Ans. They are the increase. Paul says God giveth the increase. 1 Cor. 3:7.

Ques. Some will say, Does not the woman come on the scene with the church in the wilderness?

Ans. No. The church in the wilderness was just literal. Israel in her organized state and only a type of the Church of God. Literal Israel could not be the mother of the spiritual man-child.

Ques. Does not the woman date back to Abraham of whom it is said he is the father of the faithful?

Ans. No. In a sense he was the father of the faithful but we are not looking for the father but the mother. And Paul tells us that the Jerusalem which is above is free which is the mother of us all. The New Jerusalem, the church of the first born spoken of at Hebrews 12:23. He says we have come to it (this mother) now, not when we get to heaven.

Ques. Since the people of God have been persecuted ever since the days of Abel, did not this woman come on the scene at that day?

Ans. No. The people back of John the Baptist had no travail as is spoken of this woman. It is true they had persecutions and heart aches and sufferings but this is not travail. The Jewish nation didn't travail to bring forth a man-child. This travail has reference to spiritual Israel travelling under great pain, agonizing that spiritual sons shall be born into the kingdom of God. Travail is from within; persecutions are from without.

Ques. What does Paul say of travelling for the Galatians?

Ans. He said, "I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you."

Ques. What does Isaiah say of Christ travelling?

Ans. He said, "He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied." Isa. 53:11. And at verse 12 says, "He shall divide the spoil with the strong."

Ques. What do we gather from the above Scriptures?

Ans. We understand that to travail spiritually means to be greatly burdened for lost souls, to the extent that one would groan and cry out with strong crying like Jesus did in the garden. Jesus will divide the spoil with the strong, those who will travail or let His Spirit weep through them; a deep inward emotion wrought by the Spirit, not by persecutions.

Ques. What is said of this woman?

Ans. She is in travail that the man-child (saints) might be born and ready for the rapture.

Ques. How is this woman clothed?

Ans. She is clothed with the sun.

Ques. What is the meaning of Zion (this spiritual woman)?

Ans. Zion means sunny. Her very nature and appearance has suggested her name.

Ques. What does Malachi say of the people that fear the name of the Lord?

Ques. To you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness rise with healing in His wings. Mal. 4:2.

Ques. What does Jesus say about the believers?

Ans. He says, "Ye are the light of the world."

Ques. What does Paul say about the believers?

Ans. He says, "Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day."

Ques. According to the above, is not the woman who is clothed with the sun a fit emblem of the church?

Ans. Yes. We couldn't find a better picture.

Ques. What about the moon under her feet?

Ans. There are two great lights that especially effect this earth. They are the moon and the sun. And there are really just two great dispensations since Adam. With the first Adam begins the first dispensation, the second Adam begins the second dispensation. Then again that of law and grace. We have seen that the sun represents the dispensation of grace.

Ques. Then do you say, What does the moon represent?

Ans. It fittingly represents the ceremonial law and sacrifices, even from the days of Adam and Abel.

Ques. What part did the moon play with the children of Israel?

Ans. Each of their years began with a new moon, each of their months be-

gan with a new moon. They kept their eyes continually on the moon, it governed their seasons. Every inhabitant had to blow a trumpet at the beginning of the month announced by the new moon, they had a great feast at each new moon, also they were to make sacrifices at each new moon. See Num. 10:10, and many other references.

Ques. What does Paul say about meats, drinks, sabbath days and of new moons?

Ans. He says they are a shadow of things to come. Col. 2:17. The Syriac says were shadows of the things, then future. Notice, then future. Fulfilled when grace came.

Ques. What other special event took place on each new moon?

Ans. They visited the prophets to receive instructions from them and to offer gifts. 2 Kings 4:23; Ezek. 45:17.

Ques. What is the summary of the above?

Ans. That the new moon was one of the most notable events in Israel, they feasted, sacrificed, received instructions and blew trumpets. Yet all of this was only a shadow of a greater day—the day of grace, so when grace came in the moon as a shadow fell below, hence the moon under her feet. The moon (the ceremonial law) fades when the sun (grace) comes up, just as the moon and sun may be seen at the same time some days, but the moon is dim. Paul says in the resurrection, some will have the glory of the sun, some of the stars and some of the moon.

Ques. What is said of the overcomers?

Ans. "To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life."

"Will I give to eat of the hidden manna;"

"He shall be clothed in white raiment;"

"Will I make a pillar in the temple of my God."

"... I will write upon him the name of my God \* \* \*; and I will write upon him my new name."

"He that overcometh shall inherit all things."

"To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne."

"He that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations."

Ques. Who will be able to overcome to the end?

Ans. Those who have taken on the whole armour, that they may be able to stand (or overcome) in the evil day. Eph. 6:13.

Ques. What does Paul mean by whole armour?

Ans. He means the experience as represented with the oil in the vessels with their lamps, in other words, the full baptism with the Holy Ghost and walking in the light. Matt. 25; 1 John 1:7.

Ques. Are not the tribulation saints of the full overcomers?

Ans. No. They wash their robes and make them white while in the tribulation. Rev. 7:14. The overcoming saints sit upon thrones but the tribulation saints stand before thrones.

Ques. Do the Old Testament saints help to constitute the man-child (the overcomers)?

Ans. No. The man-child is to be born of Zion (spiritual Israel). They are not of the overcomers saints, they are not perfect without us. The least of the Spirit-filled overcomers saints will be greater in the kingdom of heaven than the greatest of the Old Testament saints. Matt. 11:11.

Ques. Will not David, Solomon and other great kings reign as kings in the millennium?

Ans. No. The Spirit-filled apostles will reign over the twelve tribes of Israel. Matt. 19:28. While others sit down in the kingdom. Hence three degrees of saints, sun, stars and moon.

(To be Continued)

## TRIAL OF FAITH

Mrs. B. L. Shepherd

Many are the trials through which God's children are called. Many of these are understood. We can meet many trials and know from the beginning why they are sent and often we can see God's purpose from the beginning of the trial. He is to have a tried people and admonishes us to "Think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you." 1 Pet. 4:12.

A trial when arraigned before the courts is to wait patiently through the hearing and receiving of evidence sought from many sources and looked at from every angle. To be tried physically is to feel our health giving way and pain and disease making inroad upon our bodies and apparently a premature grave opening up before us and may I be allowed to say it is a trial of faith when such a case is ours, and not every one seems able to bear the test. It is not much of a test of faith to trust God for our diseased bodies when God hears and answers when we first feel our need of healing virtue and call on Him and He immediately comes to our rescue. But it is another thing to call and intercede and ask others to call for us and days and weeks pass by and yet we see no visible results. To be tried socially is to see our friends and old associates cast us aside to have the sentence of excommunication pronounced upon us. If we could keep up our old associates and move along in the same old channel as before, it would not mean so much to us to follow Christ and our faith along this line would need no testing. To be tried financially as many of us are now, being of need and left alone with an empty purse and want calling to us from every side. Should God

respond to our needs at every call we would never learn the beautiful lesson of faith and hence should never please Him. Heb. 11:6.

God wants us to trust Him though the clouds veil the sky and every thing seems dark, that is the very time our faith is receiving its trial. The trial of your faith. Had we no faith we could not have a trial of faith and by a trial of faith we can prove what we have and can see how far it will reach and just what can be accomplished with what we have.

As we gaze upon the locomotive as it stands upon the tracks with a full head of steam and tremulous with pent up energy, we could not say it was an exhibit of power though we knew the power was there when it should be applied in the proper way. Thus this power is brought into recognition through being exercised or tested. Just so with you and me. We may never know our latent powers unless we apply them and try them. Could you say it was a trial of faith when Joshua commanded the sun and moon to stand still and they immediately obeyed? Was it a trial of faith when the crippled man at the beautiful gate leaped to his feet at the command of Peter and John? Was it a trial of faith when the walls of Jericho fell down flat after the children of Israel had obeyed orders and marched around and around and blew their trumpets as commanded? I say, Nay, it was no trial of faith though it was faith that did the work. What is it then to have a trial of faith? Let us get some lesson from the Word though we could get many in our lives.

Read the story of the widow and the unjust judge in Luke 18:1-10. The judge neither feared God nor regarded man. When the poor widow came with her request he flatly refused. He would not but she would not be denied. She came again and again. He finally granted her petition for her continual coming. Her faith was denied over and over yet she held firmly and unwaveringly, demonstrating the fact that faith here through the test of denial and delay was of more value than gold in the accomplishment of her desire. Again in Luke 11 we find a man going to a friend at midnight to borrow three loaves of bread. At first he was coldly repulsed. The first answer was, "Trouble me not," but his faith survived this test. But listen, from beyond the closed door the man in bed began to tell his excuses. "The door is now shut," that seemed to bar all access to the house, yet faith held on through this trial though it seemed a hopeless case. Again we hear him say, "My children are with me in bed." He could not afford to arouse the children and still another excuse. It was midnight, it seemed unreasonable to ask such a request at this late hour and he finally said decidedly, "I cannot rise and give thee." That seemed to settle the matter. If he could not of course he could not. Yes, but faith said, "I have to have those three loaves of bread, they must come and he would not be refused and stood on the outside of the door and pleaded his cause and his need until the friend from within rose up and administered to his needs. Faith here was put to the most severe trial but again survives the trial, gains the victory and again exhibits a quality much more precious than gold.

Another example concerning the Syrophenician woman further illustrates some features in the trial of faith. She appealed to Jesus personally and He seemed to entirely ignore her. He answered her not a word. Matt. 15:23. She was rebuked by the disciples who went so far as to beg the Master to send her away. Her faith here was indeed put in the furnace. She was persistent, however, and we next hear Jesus tell her He was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel and her case did not come within the province of His service. Faith did not retreat or even falter but charged with renewed earnestness advanced. See her as she came forward and worshipped Him and again that sad petition, "Lord, help me." Again she was denied and I hear Him explain to her that it would not do to minister to her that belonged to others and He told her to do so would class such an act as taking the children's bread and giving it to the dogs. She sanctions all He says and still humbling herself under His mighty hand, faith though denied and disregarded saw the crumbs of hope falling upon the plain to which she had been subject, survived this crucial test and the Son of God Himself seemed to have exhausted His resources in further subjecting her faith to the keenest tests—cries out in words of unparalleled commendation, "O woman, great is thy faith."

Now from the above it is very clear that the trial of faith consists in being subject to delay, denial and seeming failures. After he (Abraham) had patiently endured, he obtained the promise. "For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise." "When he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life."

When we once locate a promise of God that covers our special need and we have met the conditions and planted our hope upon it, we must remain steadfast, unwavering and without a question, anxiety or fear—no matter if apparently denied, refused, neglected or ignored altogether, so long as our case comes clearly under the provision of the plan it will be answered even though as difficult a case as that of the Syrophenician or of Abraham.

Faith can only become strong and reliable through testings and trials consisting of delays, denials, defeat, circumstances and standing in the face of unaccountable contradiction.

Faith is tried by apparently refusing it, ignoring it completely, by taking from one all feeling, assurance, support and natural dependence. As long as we measure the faithfulness

of God by circumstances, by the reasonableness of things we will always have a sickly weak faith. So long as faith flinches and wavers under a test it loses the lesson God designed to teach and the purpose for which it was sent has been defeated.

Faith suspended only on a promise of God swung out from everything tangible, sensible or natural and like Moses enduring as seeing Him who is invisible or as Paul looking at the things which are not seen will prove the faithfulness of God in every promise He has made.

God is faithful who has promised and why cannot we as His children lay hold of His promises and stand unwaveringly until we get the answer. So many fall in divine healing even though they know it is a trial of faith. Oh, dear ones, the last evil days are surely upon us and we need to get more firmly established and fixed for God will shake everything that can be moved. In every little test let us prove our faith in God as He tests us little by little and proves our merit. He will later entrust us with greater things. I have known some to pray for the gift of healing who had not faith to trust their own bodies to God. Oh, you say if you had the gift of healing you could trust God. As I see it you will have to cultivate faith, put it into practice and as you prove your merit, God will then bestow on you the true riches.

Not every one is standing the trials of these days but God has warned us that we should be tried and let us not think it strange as though some strange thing had come upon us but let us rally and prove ourselves and remember, "All things work together for good to them that love the Lord."

If you are passing through a test, look up, be encouraged. He has promised to "not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able." He said He would supply all our needs. He would bear all our burdens etc. Though it may seem long coming our way it will surely come. "For he is faithful that promised." Heb. 10:23.

## Joy, Peace and Satisfaction in Serving Jesus.

Dear Evangel Readers—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I am praising the Lord for what He has done for us. Glory to His sweet name! He wonderfully saved us from our sins and sanctified us through His precious blood and filled us with the Holy Ghost. Acts 2:4. Thank God, it still abides this morning. I am so glad we are added to the dear old Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth. Glory to Jesus. We find joy and peace and satisfaction in serving Jesus. It is joy unspeakable and full of glory and no tongue can tell what the Lord has done.

I thank God for ever sending Brother Geo. Gaines here last May to preach the Word. We helped him and his wife to fix the tent. I well remember the words he said that afternoon that many souls could sweep through to victory under the old tent yet. Husband and I were only sinners then and had not thought much about getting salvation but, thank God, the meeting had not been running for many days before God showed us where we stood. It seemed like we were getting our last call and God heard our cries as we called on Him for mercy and, thank God, how He can pick us up out of gutters of sin and make something out of us.

I thank God for this despised persecuted way. Jesus was persecuted when He was here on this earth and we will also be persecuted. That is why we know we are right, they persecute us because we are the followers of Christ.

Our little girl came home from school with fever and headache. We prayed for her that night and she got up and was able to be around the next day. In the afternoon she grew worse. She had a high fever and ate hardly anything from the time she was taken sick, and was this way for three days and nights. We kept holding on to the Lord and anointed her with oil. James 5:15. The prayer of faith saved the sick and God touched her body with His healing power and healed her. I thank God because He is able to heal as well as to save from that awful place called hell, that is prepared for the devil and his angels. I have heard people say that God is not going to burn His children. No, He is not, but who are His children? The ones who dig down and build on the solid Rock, Christ Jesus, and keep God's commandments for Jesus said if we draw nigh to Him that He will draw nigh to us, and He will never leave us nor forsake us. I thank God for the way of holiness, it just suits me. Without holiness no man shall see the face of the Lord. Glory! I feel the "go ye" in my soul to do something for Jesus. We see so many precious souls going down at a rapid speed. We can look out in this world and see the signs of our soon coming King.

Dear friends, if you are not ready to meet God and face the judgment bar you had better prepare for it is surely coming one of these days. Pray for our loved ones who are out in sin that they may be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

Your brother and sister in Christ, John and Lanora Langford, Brooksville, Fla.

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## THE CHURCH OF GOD AS A GOVERNMENT

T. S. Payne

(Continued from last week)

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end." Isa. 9:6, 7.

In this prophecy we see that in the time of Christ God really has a government and He says in reference to this Prince of Peace that the government shall be upon His shoulder.

The Word teaches us that Christ is the head of the Church and that the Church is His body, therefore, if the government is upon His shoulder, the shoulder is part of the body, then the Church is a body of people who are willing to and do submit to the Bible government.

Psalms 2:6, "Yet have I set my King upon my holy hill of Zion." He is our King, we are His subjects then ought we not submit to all His teaching inasmuch as He teaches us that "except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish." He also teaches us to be holy for He is holy, and to be filled with the Holy Ghost. He teaches too that His back was striped for the healing of our bodies for by His stripes ye were healed. Then He still says for us to hear Him in all things.

Many so-called churches in the land today are willing to hear Him in part of His sayings and ignore the rest of it. We, the Church of God, today have the same right to preach against repentance and water baptism that our enemies have to preach against sanctification and the baptism with the Holy Ghost because Jesus taught it all and said, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." All these proceeded out of His mouth and it takes receiving and obeying all of them to keep us alive spiritually since we heard them.

In Acts 5:31, "Him hath God exalted with His right hand to be a Prince and a Savior, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins." Since He is a Prince with authority, we ought to submit to Him in all things. Thus we see His government in all its beauty but still there are some who are not willing to submit to it. Look at 2 Pet. 2:10 and we will soon see the class of people who do not believe in and who are not willing to submit to the government of the Bible.

"But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities."

Peter is rather bold in making the statement that people who despise government are walking in the lust of uncleanness. He also says they are selfwilled and are not afraid to speak evil of powers, dominions and greatness. He speaks plainer in verse twelve by saying, "But these, as natural brute beasts made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption."

"And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, as they that count it pleasure to riot in the daytime. Spots they are and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you." 2 Pet. 2:13.

They are going about beguiling every unstable soul they find. Notice, they get the unstable ones, therefore, it is very important that we be rooted and grounded in the truth so we will not be carried about by every wind of doctrine brought about by the people who "lie in wait to deceive."

Peter says these have forsaken the right way and are gone astray. Surely they have been in the right way and God has wonderfully blessed them. Of course all have to be in the right way to even get their sins forgiven and must continue in the right way to get sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, then if they stay in the right way they are willing to submit to Bible government instead of wanting to govern others, which is, invariably the case with so many who vain would oppose government.

He further says, "These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest: to whom the mist of darkness is reserved forever. For when they speak great swelling words of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through much wantonness, those that were clean escaped from them who live in error." 2 Pet. 2:17, 18.

The real clean people are getting out from among these deluded fanatics who live in error and are so selfwilled they are not willing to counsel with nor take the advice of other people, and are so presumptuous that they will just presume a thing to be so and say the Lord showed me thus and so.

Jude 8 says they are filthy dreamers for they defile the flesh, despise dominion and speak evil of dignities. They speak evil of the things which they know not, yet what they do know naturally like brute beasts in these they corrupt themselves.

"Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain." Cain was a bad man, so are they. Cain had a mark put on him so have they. They are "clouds without water, carried about of winds, trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots."

"Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering

stars to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever." (To be Continued)

## Only a Few More Days to Run

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints Everywhere—Greetings:

I want to praise God for a full and free salvation that reaches me just now. I am so glad that I am on the highway of holiness, the clean, pure and holy way, and I mean to make heaven my home after this life is over. Praise the Lord!

I am a little girl only eleven years of age but I am so glad because I am not too young to serve God. This salvation is for the young as well as the old. About two years ago God picked me up out of sin and planted my feet on the rock Christ Jesus, saved my soul, sanctified me and filled me with the precious Holy Ghost. And I praise the Lord that I am a member of the great Church of God. There is quite a number of young people that are members of the Church of God at this place and the Lord sure does bless us.

There are only a few more steps to travel, just a few more days to roam until the trials will all be past and all those who are true to God will be gathered home. I want to be true.

Your little sister looking for the soon coming of Jesus,

Mattie Grace Jacob, Campaign, Tenn.

## Put on Whole Armour of God

Dear Evangel Readers—Greetings in the Great Name of Jesus:

Permit me to sound a note of praise to the great God that so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

I have just been reading the beautiful testimonies of the dear saints and it makes my heart swell with joy to see so many putting their trust in one that is able to save.

I can not praise the Lord enough for what He has done for me. At one time I was very deep in sin but the Lord was working on my heart in such a wonderful way that I got willing to get down on my knees and weep my way through to Calvary's cross where I got the precious blood of the Lamb applied to my soul. I shall never cease to sound praises to the dear Lord for His great love and tender mercies.

I want to say to the "Mother's daughter in sin" who had her letter in the Evangel, Feb. 25th, just put your trust in God who can make all crooked paths straight and all rough roads smooth. "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Eph. 6:11. Jesus is the light and if we will only walk in the light and put our trust in Him He will remove all obstacles out of our way. We must remember that we were bought with a price. Jesus Himself paid the price with His own life's blood. Oh, just think of this! It grieves my heart to see so many traveling the downward road unconcerned about their souls. Dear saints, if there ever was a time we needed to pray it is now, so let us spend as much time as we can on our knees in behalf of lost souls.

Your brother under the blood, Lawrence Vaughan, Dodsdsville, Miss.

## How Beautiful Heaven Must Be

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints Everywhere:

I praise God today for the joy and peace that I have in my heart. It seems to me that the love of God is flowing through my soul more than ever before. Praise the dear Lord who for our redemption from sin left heaven and all that was pure and holy and came to give us a full and free salvation. Oh! how our hearts should overflow with loving gratitude for such boundless love.

I am on my way to heaven today and glad because I ever found this way to the home of rest. "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." Oh! Glory to God, how beautiful heaven must be.

Some people seem to think that Jesus does not heal our bodies but, bless His dear name, I know He has the same power that He had when He walked the sea of Galilee. I was sick several weeks but the saints prayed for me and the Lord brought me out more than conqueror.

Oh, how I praise and thank God because I know the Comforter still abides. This old world and its charms have lost their attraction for me. Glory to God! My mind is centered on heaven.

Dear friends, how it makes my heart ache to see so many young people in sin seeking the pleasures and gain of this sinful world, and do not know Him who can bring joy, peace and gladness.

Come on, dear friends, and let us be co-workers together for the salvation of precious souls. Pray that I may ever obey the Lord and be a soul winner for Jesus. God bless you all.

Your humble sister in Jesus, Nina L. Shope, Ranger, Ga.



## Sunday School Children Receiving the Holy Ghost

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints:  
Work while 'tis day; night cometh  
when no man can work.

For six weeks the revival has been  
on at Tampa, Fla. Battles fought—  
victories won. Hallelujah! With  
unceasing efforts, the saints led by our  
pastor, J. L. Stephens, have labored,  
shouted, prayed and wept. The first  
four weeks about fifteen received the  
Holy Ghost and several were re-  
claimed. Two weeks ago Brother  
Lemons and Brother E. Haynes and  
wife came and up to date five more  
came through.

Every one says it has been a mar-  
velous meeting and the Lord worked  
in great power. Oh, it fills our souls  
with thankfulness to see how the  
Church of God is rising and shining.  
Saints are deeper, and wonderful mes-  
sages have been given, and they re-  
ceived many visions while tarrying  
before God. We have had one baptismal  
service, there will be more.  
Twenty have come into the church.  
Oh, we give Him all the glory. Some  
sisters had very good results visiting  
homes and giving out Evangelists and  
invitations to meetings.

One night Brother Lemons adminis-  
tered the Lord's supper and feet  
washing. God was surely in our  
midst and approved of our obedience  
to His commands.

Never grow weary in well doing,  
we shall reap if we faint not.

We shout praises to God because  
He has saved, sanctified and filled with  
the Holy Ghost so many of our Sun-  
day school children. Oh, glory to  
His blessed name! It is a beautiful  
sight to see them all under the pow-  
er, dancing and praising God. We will  
surely try to keep them secure in the  
fold. We are praying and expecting  
the best—yet to come.

Yours for souls,  
Rosa B. Murphy,  
Tampa, Fla.

## Knows She is a Child of God

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the  
Dear Saints—Greetings in Jesus'  
Dear Name:

I am praising God for saving, sanc-  
tifying and filling me with the blessed  
Holy Ghost, as in Acts 2:4, on  
Mar. 15th.

The devil has deceived so many  
people here until they think the  
Church of God people are being led  
off by the wrong spirit but, thank  
God, I am so glad tonight that I ever  
became humble so God could pick me  
up and set me on higher ground and  
I know I am a child of God. Praise  
the Lord! I know of only four  
Church of God people here and a few  
souls that hunger and thirst after  
righteousness and believe in the Holy  
Ghost with the evidence of speak-  
ing in tongues.

Oh, let me warn every soul that has  
an honest heart not to say any thing  
against speaking in tongues. I have  
heard preachers get up and make re-  
marks about tongues. God pity a  
man that will let the power of the  
enemy deceive him to speak against  
something he doesn't know any thing  
about.

Oh, I am so glad I feel such joy  
bubbling up in my soul to know I am  
still somewhere up the shining way,  
praising the dear Lord. I have a  
deeper determination to go all the  
way with Jesus. Oh, dear saints, do  
not turn back. I want to press for-  
ward to my home in heaven. Hal-  
lelujah!

I am glad that God has given me  
faith so that I can trust in divine  
healing. I feel like we are not a true  
child of God until we can trust Him  
for whatever befalls us.

I want all the saints of God every-  
where to pray for me to stay humble  
at Jesus' feet doing His will whatever  
it might be. Also pray for my hus-  
band and father to be saved, sancti-  
fied and filled with the blessed Holy  
Ghost, and for other souls here that  
are out of the fold.

Your sister under the blood,  
Mrs. W. M. Cole,  
Sipsey, Ala.

## System Followed With Obedience Brings Joy

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greetings  
in the Name of Jesus:

Once I was a sinner walking in sin  
and shame and lust. I lived this way  
several years not knowing the beauty  
of holiness. At last I saw my ruined  
condition before God and lived in this  
condition for six years. I had no one  
to help me and knew evidently that  
the people around me were not liv-  
ing right. No one knows how I suf-  
fered except they who have had this  
experience. I will have to wait un-  
til I get over in eternity to tell this  
suffering.

In 1913 I met some holiness people,  
attended their meeting and got saved.  
In a short time I lost that sweet peace  
and again suffered, oh, no tongue can  
tell. The worldly so-called pleasures  
only vexed my soul from day to day.  
In 1917 I met some Church of God  
folks and God gave me back the  
sweet assurance of being His child  
and sanctified me. In the autumn of  
1918, the dear Lord gave me the Holy  
Ghost which spoke for Himself as Je-  
sus said He would. Not many days  
have passed since, without Him  
speaking. Then the enemy battled  
against me on the church question.  
The battle was too long for me to  
tell it here, but the Lord settled me  
in the Church of God. Praise His  
sweet name! The devil used to make  
me do things I did not want to do,  
now he tries to get me to do things  
that are not right. Then he forced  
me, now he tries me.

When Brother Tomlinson mentioned  
the new paper, the enemy tried to get

me to think it was not good. I had  
just seen the headline and had not  
read the news. While I worked the  
enemy tried. After awhile I just re-  
sisted him and said, "It must be right  
or it could not have come through  
the council at headquarters. Then I  
began to see the good of the new pa-  
per. The name of the old paper does  
not suit for an advertising paper and  
many of our people would not sub-  
scribe for other papers because of the  
pictures, inconsistent lan-  
guage and ungodly fashion of this  
world that passeth away, which  
we do not want to put before  
our children. Also this maga-  
zine will carry burning testimonies  
into the homes of people who do not  
care at first to take the Evangel. It  
will also carry the burning messages  
of salvation in a different degree from  
any other advertising paper. None  
like it in all the world.

We have the church divided into  
classes and we have class leaders for  
each class. We do not stop at that  
for we have a class meeting once a  
week unless providentially hindered.  
Don't forget we have class meeting.

I have heard the United States  
raised the largest army according to  
the period of time the world ever  
knew of. We say it was evidently  
because of system. Thank God, we  
have some good system and we will  
soon have more. Jesus sent out His  
twelve, also the seventy in order and  
system so they knew what to do.  
When they came back and reported,  
let us notice that Jesus rejoiced in  
spirit. So system followed with obedi-  
ence brings JOY. I don't know  
many of the Church of God preach-  
ers but I know one that I would be  
glad could go from one place to an-  
other with practically nothing to do  
but to set forth order and system.  
Please bear in mind that it is the  
enemy of your soul that fights sys-  
tem.

J. I. Baldree,  
Williston, Fla.

## Glad She Walked in the Light

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All  
Saints:

I am praising the Lord for baptizing  
me with the Holy Ghost which still  
abides in my soul. I am praising  
Him because I walked in the light as  
it came to me.

I was once a Catholic and saw the  
light on Pentecost but I did not un-  
derstand the teaching. Then I heard  
a Church of God preacher and I ac-  
cepted the teaching. It will be two  
years in June since I received the Holy  
Ghost. I am praising Him for heal-  
ing the children and me. I was taken  
sick the other day and trusted Him  
for my healing and He wonderfully  
healed me.

I desire the prayers of the saints  
that my loved ones may see the light  
on the Church of God. Pray that God  
may bless my home and that it may  
be a shining light for Jesus.

Your sister under the blood,  
Mrs. Katie Dupree,  
Morgan City, La.

## Desires Prayer to be Completely Healed

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All of  
God's People Everywhere—Greet-  
ings in Jesus' Name:

I am an old man eighty-one years  
of age and, of course, according to  
nature I can not stay here much longer  
but I am trying the best I can to  
live for the Lord. I desire the saints  
to pray that I may get closer to my  
Savior each day that I live.

Before the last Assembly of the  
Church of God at Cleveland, Tenn.,  
I sent a handkerchief to Brother Tom-  
linson to be anointed and prayed over  
as I have had cancers on my face and  
behind my ear for about eighteen or  
twenty years. They had been pain-  
ing me terribly and seemed to be get-  
ting worse all the time. The  
handkerchief had not been gone over  
two days until all the pain had left.  
Every one tells me they are looking  
better and I know they are feeling  
better than they have for many days.  
I ask all the saints who read this to  
hold on to God for my healing. Pray  
that I may be completely healed for  
Jesus said all power was given unto  
Him in heaven and on earth and I  
know He can heal me and I believe  
He will. His power is above all  
carthy powers.

Pray for me that I may do more  
for my Savior for when I am called  
from the walks of men I want to hear  
my blessed Savior say, "Well done,  
good and faithful servant; thou hast  
been faithful over a few things. I will  
make thee ruler over many things: en-  
ter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Your brother in Christ,  
J. R. Blagburn,  
Double Springs, Ala.

## The Friend Who Died For You

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All  
Evangel Readers Everywhere:

I praise God that tonight finds me  
with victory in my soul through the  
precious blood. I am so glad that  
Jesus loved us well enough to come  
to this old sinful world and suffer  
on the cross to sanctify our souls and  
then went back to the Father and  
prayed Him to send us this wonder-  
ful Comforter that abides in my soul  
just now. Praise His great name!  
His love for us is beyond expression  
and why shouldn't we come boldly to  
the throne of grace? Oh, what a won-  
derful Savior we have. It just over-  
flows my heart with praise to Him  
when I begin to think what sweet  
privileges we have in Him—just to  
carry everything to Him in prayer.

I praise God for the Church of God  
that is shining so bright for Him in  
this dark world. Many people op-  
pose the Church of God and think that  
her members esteem the Church

# SOULS AT STAKE

E. L. Simmons

Who art thou, standing idle, in the market place today,  
Vainly talking to thy fellows whiling precious hours away?  
Who art thou with time and talent, using them for worldly gain,  
While the cries are fastly coming, tell us of a Saviour slain?

Are you a preacher of the gospel, licensed by the Church of God,  
To tell the story of salvation, while upon this earth you tread?  
If so are you a willing worker, giving time and talents too,  
Working in the Saviour's vineyard ever faithfully and true?

Say, brother, sister, do you know the value of a human soul,  
The one that's lost away from Jesus on the mountain bleak and cold?  
Do you know the doom awaiting every one in vice and sin  
And the moral one as well who proceeds as he has been?

Has the clergy thus forgotten to value high the soul of man?  
As it has cost the Jewel of heaven, who came to earth at God's command,  
Suffered shame and trials sore, and finally died upon the tree,  
And then what else? we ask no more, He paid the debt for you and me.

Once a preacher of repute was preaching in a city grand,  
A holy life he did dispute and only sought the peoples' hand;  
The world war was on in full, the preacher was a warrior too,  
He took his text on Germany and made his boast what he would do.

He prays a prayer and oh! the prayer, I wish that you could hear,  
As kneeling there in dignity he pours it forth into the air,  
"Lord, God bless the United States, with Great Britain and France as well,  
And all the allied nations great, but, Lord, damn Germany in hell."

Think of this and a preacher too, claiming to carry Salvation,  
But for the honor and praise of men, asks his God to damn a nation;  
In this prayer both rich and poor, women and children, innocent and pure,  
Are offered no place of rescue at all, but only from God's presence to fall.

Will you not value the soul of man that Jesus died to save  
And go in His service, to do what you can, before he goes forth to the grave?  
"Now is the time," the prophet has said, tomorrow may be too late,  
Then hasten to work for Jesus today, the reward will surely be great.

too highly but they don't know the  
Church, as she really is and surely  
don't realize that she was purchased  
with the precious blood of Jesus. I  
praise the Lord for the day He shined  
the light in my soul. I can now read  
the place in the Bible where it says,  
"Obey them that have the rule over you"  
and feel a sweet peace and satis-  
faction in my soul because the Lord  
has placed me where I can obey that  
part of His blessed Word. Praise His  
name!

I praise Him for the Bible Training  
School and because He permitted me  
to take the course of study by cor-  
respondence. It is truly a wonderful  
thing. For some time my daily cry  
to God was to make me a true suc-  
cessful soul winner for Him and it  
seemed that He would tell me that I  
needed to take the Course and learn  
more about His Word for "He that  
winneeth souls is wise." But I felt that  
I was not able though at last I trusted  
it to Him and He soon made the way  
and how I do praise Him for it to-  
night.

My heart goes out for the precious  
souls that are out on the bleak  
mountains of sin tonight. Dear sin-  
ner friend, there is nothing that will  
ever satisfy your longing soul but the  
precious love of Jesus. You can never  
find a friend so true.

Suppose you were condemned to die,  
In sorrow and disgrace,  
And saw a comrade standing by,  
Who freely took your place,  
Could you forget that noble deed,  
Of love so kind and true?  
Could you forget from day to day,  
The friend who died for you?

You were condemned to die, my  
friend,  
With all the human race,  
For all have sinned and gone astray,  
But Jesus took their place;  
He paid the penalty for sin,  
As He alone could do.  
Then don't forget from day to day,  
The friend who died for you.

Remember Him who took your part,  
With bleeding hands and feet,  
And yield to Him a willing part,  
To find His service sweet;  
It seems but little we can give,  
And little we can do,  
Then won't you consecrate your all,  
To Him who died for you?  
A sister under the blood,  
Leonie Montgomery,  
Nettleton, Miss.

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## Praises God For His Goodness to the Chil- dren of Men

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints:  
I am glad that I can still report vic-  
tory in my soul. I praise the Lord  
for saving, sanctifying and baptizing  
me with the Holy Ghost with the Bi-  
ble evidence of speaking in other  
tongues and adding me to the great  
Church of God.

I feel like David when he said in  
Psalm 107:8, "Oh that men would  
praise the Lord for his goodness, and  
for his wonderful works to the chil-  
dren of men!" I can never praise Him  
enough for His love and mercy to  
even me and I have such a determi-  
nation to go all the way with Him.  
I have nothing to go back to. I came  
from sin and I realize that a life of  
sin brings heartaches, sadness and a  
reckless life. There is no rest only  
in Jesus. Oh, how I praise God for  
the rest in my soul that the world  
can't disturb. Just a few more years,  
maybe years and time will be up and  
we will stand before our God. I want  
to be faithful over a few things so  
He can make me ruler over many.  
Bless His dear name! I am expecting  
to take a trip and go to the marriage  
supper of the Lamb where Jesus is  
going to serve us. We can't afford  
to miss it and by His help I do not  
intend to. Then, praise God, we are  
coming back here to reign a thou-  
sand years and we shall ever be with  
the Lord.

There is only a little band of us  
at this place but, praise God, I mean  
to stand up for Jesus no matter what  
the cost may be and some sweet day  
we will be called home to glory. I  
have loved ones gone on and some  
glad day I expect to see them face  
to face to part no more.

Your sister under the blood,  
Mrs. L. C. Vance,  
Indianola, Miss.

## Pray More in Order to be Faithful

Dear Evangel Readers:

I praise the Lord because He heals  
me when I am sick. I haven't taken  
any medicine in over two years. This  
means something to me for I used to  
be a slave to medicine. I praise Him  
because when I was lost in sin, He  
lifted me and planted my feet on the  
solid rock, Christ Jesus, and added  
me to the great Church of God and  
baptized me with the precious Holy  
Ghost—the Comforter, that still  
abides.

Truly these are the last days and  
perilous times. We must live close  
to God and pray more in order to hold  
out faithful to the end. Let us realize  
our responsibility as members of the  
great Church of God. The eyes of  
the world are on us. Let us so live  
that we will bring no reproach upon  
the name of our Lord and Master and  
upon the Church of God. I am not  
near enough to the Church of God to  
attend service. I desire the prayers  
of the saints that I will hold out  
faithful and do God's will at all times.

Your humble sister,  
Mrs. Julia M. Jones,  
Lithia, Fla.

## Heaven Below My Re- deemer to Know

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the  
Saints—Greetings in the Master's  
Name:

This night finds me saved through  
and through, sanctified through the  
blood, baptized and filled with the  
blessed Holy Ghost with the Bible  
evidence of speaking in other tongues  
as the Spirit gave utterance, added  
to the dear old Church of God, di-  
vinely healed and on glad victory's  
side with a burning desire to go on.

Dear saints, let us lift up the hands  
that hang down. It is a time of trou-  
ble for the world but we can rejoice  
in Christ our Lord, looking for and  
hastening the coming of our Redeem-  
er and King. I am glad to go with-  
out the camp bearing His reproach.  
It is joy to me to be able to suffer for  
His sake for I know it will work a  
far more exceeding weight of glory.  
When I begin to think what the Lord

has in store for the faithful ones my  
joy is full for the Holy Ghost has  
taken the things of God and shown  
them unto me. Hallelujah! Oh, the  
fire is burning and shining in my soul  
from day to day, I can even feel the  
power of the Holy Ghost in my finger  
tips, and oh, the rivers of God's love  
flow through my being. It is heaven  
below my Redeemer to know. The  
angels can do nothing more than to  
fall at His feet and the story repeat  
and the lovers of sinners adore. Oh,  
it is wonderful how he hears and an-  
swers prayer.

We have been praying for the dear  
little Evangel (the harbinger of truth  
and love) to be kept alive and most  
of us have been expecting God to  
work miracles and send in larger  
amounts to keep it going and while  
we were looking that way God put  
His wisdom in a few of His chosen  
vessels to work the thing out in quite  
a different way. It does not always  
come in the way expected but it al-  
ways comes in time. Oh, how many  
times in my Christian experience has  
the little White Winged Messenger  
come to me freighted with love and  
courage and stayed my troubled  
heart, when all about me was dark  
and it seemed like I had gone as far  
as I could go and I would hear the  
clarion call of King Jesus through  
our General Overseer or some of his  
helpers, to resist the devil steadfastly  
in the faith and I took courage and  
pressed on until I am rooted and  
grounded in the faith and am waiting  
to be clothed upon with my new  
house. Let us take heart, get new  
courage hourly and rise and shine for  
Jesus. Let us shine with truth and  
grace and love. The devil's people are  
resisting our blessed Lord and let  
us resist the devil. O listen to the  
sweet and gentle wooings of the thrice  
blessed Holy Ghost calling us away  
from the things of this world. Oh,  
how I covet a closer walk with God.  
I want Him to

"Take my life and let it be,  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my hands and let them move  
At the impulse of Thy love."

I am expecting to go up in the rap-  
ture, I would not miss it for anything.  
I have my passport on hand, I gave  
Jesus all I had for it, and that was  
a contrite spirit and a broken heart.

Oh, how I love God's children and  
pray that they may be overcomers.  
Satan is working many hard trials  
but it will not always be so. The  
Bible tells us that the devil will come  
as a roaring lion also as an angel of  
light. He has reared at me many  
times and tried to frighten me to  
death but about two months ago he  
came to me as an angel of light. I  
felt his presence but could not see  
him. He began to upbraid me for be-  
ing so slow spiritually (I have always  
wanted to run for the Lord) and he  
made me think I was slothful. I re-  
ally thought it was the Lord and began  
searching my heart. He would say  
the church is not going fast enough  
and I told him I was willing to do any-  
thing he wanted me to do and oh, such  
torment as was afflicted on my soul.  
My tormentors said, "You are an un-  
profitable servant, you ought to fast  
and have an answer, look at the Sy-  
rophenician woman, you should fast  
and be approved of God." I was in  
real anguish and this lasted for about  
three weeks. At last I called in an-  
guish of soul and almost in despair,  
"Lord, I will not give up, if I perish,  
I will perish at the foot of the cross."  
The tempter said, "The Holy Spirit  
has been withdrawn from you and you  
had as well give up." What! Oh, joy.  
I began to see Satan as an angel of  
light and had been calling him Lord  
for now I saw the cloven track, for  
the blessed Savior would never ad-  
vise a broken and bleeding heart to  
give up. Oh, the joy I had when I  
realized it was Satan trying my soul  
and how the blessed Holy Ghost has  
been my Comforter.

Children, beware for Satan is as  
cruel as death and very deceivable  
but, thank God, after we are tried and  
made pure, King Jesus is going to  
take us away to His blest abode  
where we will be free from Satan's  
cruel snares. With love to all the  
household of faith.  
Your sister in Christ Jesus,  
Mattie Batts,  
East Thomaston, Ga.

## Lord Has Been Their Healer For Six Years

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the  
Saints of God Everywhere:

I am praising God for victory over  
sin and the devil. I am praising God  
for saving me from a life of sin and  
sanctifying me. I am glad He prom-  
ised the Holy Ghost to them that  
would obey. I am still trusting Him  
for the Holy Ghost. I am glad I am  
a member of the dear old Church of  
God, the only church I find mentioned  
in the Bible. I do want to stay true  
to her and obey her rules and  
teachings.

I feel like the Lord has a work for  
me to do and I want all who read this  
to pray for me that I may be bap-  
tized with the Holy Ghost.

I have been trusting God for heal-  
ing for about six years and I want to  
trust Him to the end.

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subscriber for the Evangel for about  
six years and wouldn't do without it  
if it cost me five dollars. May God's  
richest blessings be upon the two pa-  
pers and the editor.

Pray for me and my family. We  
live about eleven miles from a Church  
of God. We are praying that we may  
get a church here at this place. Help  
us pray.

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